

# A Department Perspective

*Leveraging Funding to Support  
Student Success*

# Goals for this Presentation

- ✓ Provide context for school funding
- ✓ Provide linkage between goals and state initiatives
- ✓ Provide understanding of what statewide initiatives are funded with state dollars

# Keeping the Focus

Aspiration:

**All Students Graduate College,  
Career, and Life Ready**



# COLLEGE, CAREER AND LIFE READY

PREPARING SOUTH DAKOTA STUDENTS FOR SUCCESS

HOME

READING

MATH

ELIMINATE GAP

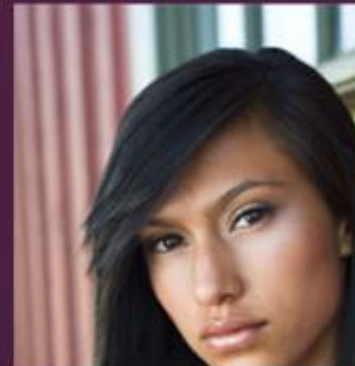
GRADUATES



**STUDENTS ENTER  
4TH GRADE**  
proficient or advanced  
in reading.



**STUDENTS ENTER  
9TH GRADE**  
proficient or advanced  
in math.



**ELIMINATE  
THE GAP**  
for Native American  
students



**HIGH SCHOOL  
GRADUATES**  
postsecondary and  
workforce ready

# Continue to ask ourselves...

- ✓ What are we doing to align to our goals?
- ✓ Is it working?
- ✓ If not, what are we going to do about it?

# Foundational Supports provided with State Funding

- ❖ Technology infrastructure
- ❖ Student information system
- ❖ Assessment portal
- ❖ Teacher/principal evaluation software
- ❖ Training for teachers, administrators, counselors



# Students enter 4<sup>th</sup> grade proficient or advanced in reading

- ❖ Implementing new standards which focus on foundational reading skills

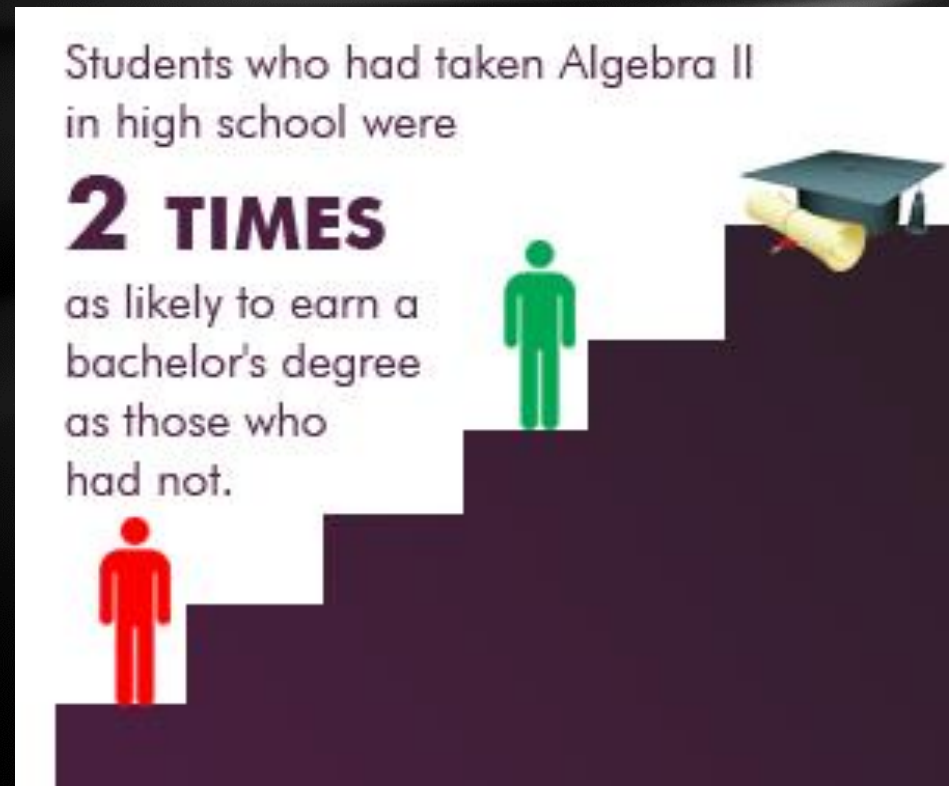
- ❖ Extensive training for teachers

Expanding summer reading programs



# Students enter 9<sup>th</sup> grade proficient or advanced in math

- ❖ Implementing new math standards
- ❖ Extensive training for teachers





# Increase the academic success of Native American Students

- ✓ Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG)
- ✓ Teach for America

Gear Up grant \*\*

College Access Grant \*\*

\*\* Federal grant dollars



# Students graduate high school ready for postsecondary and the workforce

- ❖ SD MyLife portal
- ❖ Jobs for America's Graduates (JAG)
- ❖ Remediation coursework
- ❖ Advanced placement courses
- ❖ Dual credit support
- ❖ National Career Readiness Certificate
- ✓ Career and Technical Education grants \*\*  
\*\*Future funds



# Just get them graduated...

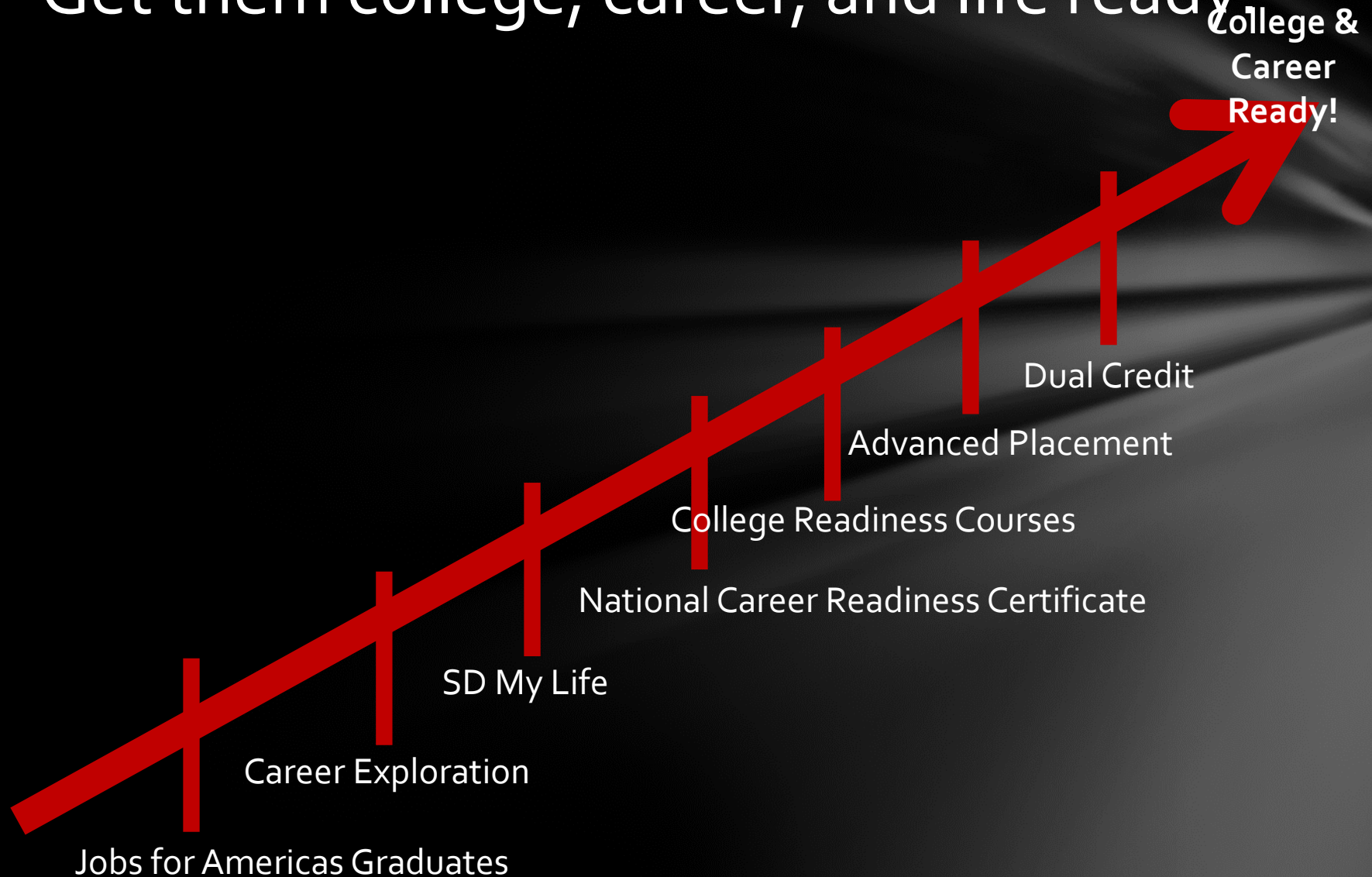
Post Secondary or  
career



Kindergarten .....→ 12<sup>th</sup>  
Grade



# Get them college, career, and life ready!



# Staying the Course

Imperative to remain focused on the goals

Imperative to stay the course

Imperative to adjust only when there are facts to support the need for adjustment